

# REPUBLICANS IN CONVENTION

It Was the Greatest Show On Earth.

ARTHUR BROWN THE  
HERO OF THE HOUR

Colonel Trumbo Is Given An Enthusiastic Ovation.

Judge Zane Nominated For Chief Justice and Alma Eldredge For Congresswoman—The Thomas Faction Swept Off the Earth—Scores of Riotous Disorder—Sergeant-at-Arms Greenwald Assaulted—Silver-plated Orators and a Silver-plated Platform—The White Metal Openly Denounced By Some Delegates—The State Committee.

FOR CONGRESS:  
Alma Eldredge of Coalville.  
FOR SUPREME JUDGE:  
Charles S. Zane of Salt Lake.

These were nominated by the Republican state convention yesterday, to be slaughtered at the polls next November.

As was expected, the gathering was anything but harmonious. A fight between the straight and silver-plated factions of the party was bitterly waged, with the result that the straight won out.

The platform adopted is weak in the extreme. It declares for silver, as a matter of course, but in its adoption the Republicans present did not exhibit much enthusiasm, for they evidently had no use for the white metal. Moreover, some of them openly kicked over the silver plank.

The contest between the two elements precipitated disgraceful scenes on the floor of the convention hall, and when it was all over a good many of the conservative members went away disgusted.

One of the conspicuous features of the convention was the victory of the Arthur Brown faction over the element represented by Postmaster Thomas and the Tribune. The ex-senator beat his opponents on every point, and the convention was with him. That is perhaps one of the chief reasons why O. J. Salisbury was defeated for the nomination for congress.

It was a few minutes after 11 o'clock when Chairman Wesley E. Walton of the state committee called for order. The delegates were all in their seats, but the Ogden delegation was caucusing in the center of the hall, and paid no heed to the demands for order.

"Set down," "shut up" and similar epithets were hurled at Lindsay Rogers and others who were addressing the delegation.

WALTON GETS A CHANCE.

Finally sufficient order was restored to allow the chairman to be heard. Mr. Walton then began:

"Ladies and Gentlemen of This Convention—As chairman of the state committee I devolve upon me to call this assemblage to order and in exercising

that privilege I desire to extend to you all a hearty welcome. Upon the wisdom of your deliberations today depends the success of our party during the campaign now upon us. The principles of the Republican party are as dear to us today as it has ever been. Let us come together as Republicans and make the platform broad enough for all Republicans to stand upon. (Cheers.) If we do this I am sure that when the votes are counted in November it will be found that the career of the Republican party is not at an end in Utah."

Assistant Secretary Buchanan read the call, after which Chairman Walton announced the selection of the following temporary officers:

Chairman—Judge J. E. Bagley of Ogden.  
Secretary—A. E. Buckler of Provo.  
Assistant Secretary—Annie M. Bradley of Salt Lake.  
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TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN BAGLEY.

Temporary Chairman Judge J. E. Bagley was then introduced and received a hearty round of applause.

"We have met to perform an important duty," began the judge. "We are associated here for the purpose, primarily, of nominating two of the most important officers in our state. The supreme justice is, in my estimation, the most responsible office in the gift of the American people."

A representative to congress was equally important, thought the speaker, and he was satisfied the convention would name the right man—one that none need be ashamed to vote for at

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the polls. Elect only good representatives, he said, and there would be no more talk of the initiative and referendum, which he characterized as a utopian idea and outside of the pale of practical politics.

"We must send a man to congress who will on every occasion raise his voice for protection," he shouted, and the convention cheered. "We have extensive coal industries that need to be protected from the British Columbia

ers. Let's give the small counties a chance."

This struck a responsive chord among the county delegates, and amid great cheering Devine's motion was tabled.

PRECIPITATED A BOW.

A member from Salt Lake then moved a recess of 15 minutes, and instantly the wildest pandemonium broke loose.

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"I move that Devine's amendment be on the table," interposed Lindsay Rogers.

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In protecting our flag wherever it has been successfully raised.

PROTECTION, HUMANITARIAN, REPROBITY.

The Republican party demands, as it always has demanded, protection, humanitarian and reprobity. We congratulate the country, and especially Utah, upon the great financial success of the Republican doctrine of protection as expressed and "filled in" by the Dingley bill, and remind the voters of this state of the many millions of dollars by which the wealth of Utah has been enhanced by reason of it; that lead mining has been sustained and could exist only with such protection; that agricultural production has been made profitable through its agency; that the exports of the whole nation have been vastly increased since the Dingley bill was passed; that reviving prosperity follows this Republican policy as it always has, and we pledge the party to support for office, and particularly for the office of senator and representative in congress, only those who do and will support the principles of the Dingley bill. Protection has been the corner stone of Republicanism.

We reaffirm our allegiance to the cause of the independent free coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to 1, as fully set out in our first Utah state convention platform, upon which we elected the present governor and other state officers to-day.

"Independent" means action of any other nation, we favor the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to 1.

The Republican party in convention

assembled recognizes the moral support, the uplifting tendency and presiding influence of the conservative wealth through the enlarged opportunities of political equality, and affirm the belief that women's public service in industrial independence and educational measures will be as helpful to the state as it has been beneficial in the home.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the efforts made by the women of the state in a primitive way to establish silk culture in the interest of labor, and that we urge upon the Republican party to foster and encourage this useful home industry, by declaring a bounty on this native product, or by appropriation aiding the establishment of a silk enterprise.

Resolved, That we commend and congratulate the women of the state upon the patriotic loyalty they have shown in cheerfully giving their sons, daughters, husbands and brothers to fight the battles of our country in the cause of humanity.

We call attention to the fact that the sugar industry has been established in this state under the wise principles of the Republican party, and has grown to such an extent that this year the product will reach nearly a million dollars.

We demand that elective officers of this state, both local and congressional, shall be selected without dictation from abroad.

We denounce Democratic misrule in Utah, both in the legislature and in the county governments, whereby unjust class legislation has been formulated, and whereby the people have been filled with incompetent or corrupt officials.

We denounce that act that the Democratic legislature passed over the veto of the governor, abolishing the office of the district mining recorder and imposing additional burdens upon locators and upon miners doing assessment work as unjust.

Believing that the repeal of that part of the state laws of 1896 in regard to the theft of sheep, cattle and horses being grand larceny, and not a misdemeanor, we demand that the legislature, to be an act of great justice to the people of the state, and pledge the efforts of the Republican party of this state to a re-enactment of the law making such crimes a felony in place of a misdemeanor.

We demand integrity, honesty, sobriety and character in those who shall occupy judicial positions.

A MINORITY REPORT.

"I will say," said Glasemann, "that the committee unanimously at a late majority report but Jones or box Elder said fit to bring up a minority report, in order that certain issues might be brought before this convention. I will read it to you."

He then endorsed the platform of the United States, the platform upon which he was elected, and the administration which he has given the people.

We commend the efforts of the president to secure the co-operation of other great nations in advancing the cause of silver; and heartily urge further action by the executive and congress in any and every direction that will advance silver interests, while maintaining the parity of the two money metals.

When he had finished Editor Glasemann moved to adopt the majority report, seconded from all parts of the house.

Jim Devine wanted the silver plank read, and was accommodated.

He then offered to add the silver plank of 1896 in the platform, carrying by a vote of 23 to 13. The silver plank was then added to the first portion of the original plank, and the whole reads as above.

The platform then was adopted, a few from the box Elder delegation, which promulgated the minority report, voting against it.

JUDGE ZANE NOMINATED.

The nomination for supreme court justice then being in order, D. N. Strapp of Salt Lake, in a very excellent speech, nominated the present incumbent, Charles C. Zane. At the mention of Judge Zane's name there was a round of applause that no doubt caused the blood to run cold in the veins of others who, possibly, aspired for the place.

Judge Bagley seconded the nomination in behalf of the Ogden delegation, and there was much cheering.

Jones of Box Elder followed suit. Nelson said Bagley was unanimous. Douglas of Utah seconded in behalf of his county.

Harry of Tooele ditto.

And William Glasemann.

Clark of Sevier said his county had a good man that would have made a good run and, if elected, would fill the place with credit and honor. He would second the name of Zane.

Glasemann moved to make it unanimous, and amid cheering the chair so declared.

ELDERIDGE FOR CONGRESS.

Then came nominations for congress-

man, and Hopkins of Summit got the floor.

"I made arrangements with the sergeant-at-arms," he began, "to make a speech for me, as I feel unable to do it in such an interesting manner as he is capable of, but I'll try my level best."

Mr. Hopkins then went on to speak of the many good qualities of his man, who was in a grand and wonderful way naming Alma Eldredge, Coalville, a man who can go on the stump and make things hum."

THOMAS NAMES SALISBURY.

Arthur Thomas said a strong man was needed to carry Salt Lake county, and he had discovered such an individual in the person of O. J. Salisbury.

Clark of Sevier seconded Eldredge, and Salisbury got a similar compliment from Box Elder.

JOHN E. BOOTH.

Lindsay Rogers sat in a good word for Salisbury.

Then up rose Jones of Utah and declared that he had been highly edified by the patriotic oratory. He had a "self-made" man, a man who voted for Lincoln; who didn't mind spitting rails if necessary. Such a man was John E. Booth.

"Don't make the mistake that was made 1,800 years ago, when people thought nothing great could come out of a hay mow," he cried, and the convention hall resounded with laughter.

Jake Greenwald said in behalf of the banner Republican precinct of Salt Lake City he had given his name in seconding Salisbury's nomination.

Mrs. Gamble of Weber said: "After looking over the field I can see no better material to put on the market than O. J. Salisbury."

Judge Bagley of Ogden thought Salt Lake had enough honors. "We ought to go outside and nominate that grand old man, John E. Booth," he said.

Wiley Brown of Salt Lake surprised the convention by seconding the name of Eldredge, who was "as sound on silver as an onion."

Reed Smoot of Provo wanted Booth, while Spry of Tooele was in favor of Eldredge.

J. A. Wright of Weber was in favor of Booth because he was "a man without any pretensions."